

SEC. 2. When to take effect. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its [17] publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa Standard, published in Iowa City.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

Published in the Reporter and in the Standard, February ninth eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

CHAPTER 13.

CITY OF BURLINGTON.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the city of Burlington.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

SECTION 1. Mayor to be a justice. That the mayor of the City of Burlington shall be ex officio a justice of the peace to all intents and purposes, with jurisdiction limited to the City of Burlington, in the same manner as that of other justices is limited to their respective townships.

SEC. 2. When not disqualified. He shall not be disqualified from trying any cause for the reason that it is brought in the name or behalf, or under the ordinances of said city.

SEC. 3. New streets, etc. The mayor and aldermen of said city shall have power to change the streets, to discontinue old streets, or to lay out new ones therein, whenever the public good may require the same; but whenever, for these purposes, private property shall be taken for public use, full compensation shall be made to the owners thereof, without setting off against such compensation the enhancement in value of the adjacent property.

SEC. 4. Streets discontinued. Whenever any portion of a street shall be discontinued, the mayor and aldermen may dispose of the same for the benefit of the city.

SEC. 5. Accretions to said city. They shall also have power to sell all the accretions in front of said city, after a majority of the votes given on that subject, at any city election, shall have been given in favor of such sale.

SEC. 6. Suits, how brought. All suits and prosecutions on city ordinances shall be brought in the corporate name of the city; but the process shall run in the name of the state, as provided by the constitution.

SEC. 7. Streets and alleys, how changed. No street or alley shall be changed, altered, or vacated, or new ones laid out, until [the consent of] a majority of the property owners on the block adjoining to said street, or through which said alley passes, shall be given in writing to that effect.

SEC. 8. When to take effect. This act shall take effect from and after its publication, by [18] one insertion in each of the newspapers printed in the City of Burlington.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

CHAPTER 14.

TOWN OF PORTLAND.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the board of commissioners of the county of Van Buren, to sell and convey lots in the town of Portland, in said county.

Preamble. Whereas, The board of county commissioners of the county of Van Buren having in conformity to the provisions of an act of congress approved, May 23rd, 1844, entitled "An act for the relief of the citizens of